

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

July 12, 2005

IN RE:

**BELLSOUTH TARIFF FILING TO INTRODUCE
TRANSIT TRAFFIC SERVICE, TARIFF NO. 04-01259**

**DOCKET NO.
04-00380**

ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter came before the Hearing Officer following the regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on July 11, 2005.¹ The Hearing Officer met with the parties, BellSouth Telecommunication, Inc. ("BellSouth") and the Tennessee Independent Rural Coalition (the "Coalition") (together, the "Parties"), to set initial filing deadlines and schedule a status conference. The Parties agreed to waive any notice requirements applicable to the meeting.

The Hearing Officer directed the Parties to file a joint issues list on or before Friday, July 15, 2005. The Hearing Officer further directed the Parties to provide a list, by July 15, 2005, of unavailable dates for those involved in the docket² for the remainder of July and continuing through September 30, 2005.

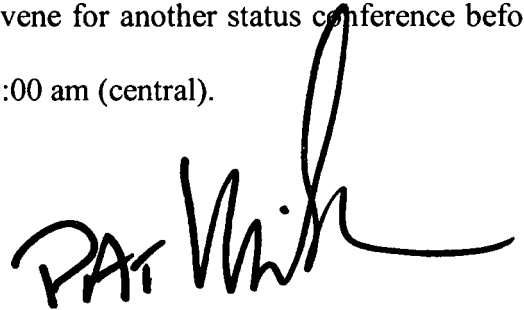
The Hearing Officer and the Parties agreed to convene for a status conference on Wednesday, July 20, beginning at 10:00 am (central).

¹ During the Authority Conference, the voting panel assigned to this docket appointed Director Pat Miller to act as the Hearing Officer to hear preliminary matters in this docket, set a procedural schedule to completion, and prepare the docket for hearing before the voting panel.

² The Hearing Officer specified that the list should include the schedules of the Parties' counsel, representatives, and witnesses if those schedules could effect the Parties' ability to stay within a proposed procedural schedule

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. On or before Friday, July 15, 2005 at 2:00 pm (central), BellSouth and the Coalition shall file a joint proposed issues matrix.
2. On or before Friday, July 15, 2005 at 2:00 pm (central), BellSouth and the Coalition each shall file a list of unavailable dates for the remainder of July and continuing through September 30, 2005 of any counsel, representative, or witness whose schedule may effect their ability to stay within a proposed procedural schedule.
3. BellSouth and the Coalition shall reconvene for another status conference before the Hearing Officer on Wednesday, July 20, 2005 at 10:00 am (central).

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "PAT Miller", is written over a horizontal line.

Pat Miller, Director
As Hearing Officer